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	(PCT Rule 44.1)		
	Date of Mailing (day/month/year) 21 OCT 1999		
Applicant's or agent's file reference			
LDS-0527	FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below		
International application No.	International filing date		
PCT/US99/14351	(day/monsh/year) 24 JUNE 1999		
Applicant LDS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.			
1. X The applicant is hereby notified that the international	I search report has been established and is transmitted herewith.		
Filing of amendments and statement under Artic The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend t	le 19: he claims of the international application (see Rule 46):		
	ents is normally 2 months from the date of transmittal of the more details, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.		
Where? Directly to the International Bureau of W 34, chemin des Colombe 1211 Geneva 20, Switzer Facsimile No.: (41-22) 74	ttes rland		
For more detailed instructions, see the notes on	the accompanying sheet.		
2. The applicant is hereby notified that no international Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.	I search report will be established and that the declaration under		
3. With regard to the protest against payment of (an)	additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:		
the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.			
no decision has been made yet on the protest;	the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.		
4. Further action(s): The applicant is reminded of the fol	lowing:		
the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication,	a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the provided in rules 90 bis 1 and 90 bis 3, respectively, before the al publication.		
	ternational preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant till 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later).		
	perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before the demand or in a later election within 19 months from the priority and by Chapter II.		
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

REPORT	International application No.
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER				
' '	:A61K 9/27, 31/56 :424/450; 514/179, 180			
	According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC			
B. FIELDS SEARCHED				
	ocumentation searched (classification system follows	ed by classification symbols)		
U.S. :	424/450; 514/179, 180			
Documentat	Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched			
Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)				
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT				
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where ap	opropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.	
Y	US 5,478,860 A (WHEELER et al.) a document.	26 December 1995, see entire	1-21	
Y	US 4,567,161 A (POSANSKI et al.) 28 January 1986, see entire document.		1-21	
Y	US 4,782,047 A (BENJAMIN et al.) (document.	1-21		
Y	LY, J. et al. 'Evaluation and Applicati Polyethylene Glycol Derivatives as El In: College of Pharmacy and Allied I University, Jamaica, NY, Presentation 1997, 1 page summary.	1-21		
Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex.				
'A' doc	the principle of theory underlying the invention			
	ne of particular relevance lier document published on or after the international filing date	*X* document of particular relevance; the considered novel or cannot be consider		
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The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in a faction with each claim appearing in the international indications (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), where

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (u) the claim is cancelled:
- (iii) the claim is new.
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

- 1. [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:
 "Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers; claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added."
- [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]: "Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11."
- (Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims):
 - "Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or "Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
- 4. [Where various kinds of amendments are made]: "Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added.:

"Statement under Article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as annualed. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by sing the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the same time of filing the amendments with the International Bureau, also file a copy of such amendments with the International Preliminary Examining Authority (see Rule 62.2(a), first sentence).

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.